

In the Specification

Applicants present a replacement paragraph below indicating the changes with insertions indicated by underlining and deletions indicated by strikeouts and/or double bracketing.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 4, with the following amended paragraph:

This application is a divisional of U.S. patent application serial no. 09/313,679, filed May 18, 1999, entitled FLUID JET SURGICAL INSTRUMENTS, and now ~~pending~~ U.S. Patent No. 6,375,635, issued on April 23, 2002.